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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

State Police Sobriety Checkpoints Scheduled for the Memorial Day Weekend

The state "High Visibility Enforcement Campaign" is in full force. During the holiday weekend, State Troopers will be out in full force identifying and apprehending impaired drivers. This will be accomplished by conducting enforcement patrols and sobriety checkpoints throughout the state of Connecticut. Legally intoxicated drivers will be subject to immediate arrest.

All vehicles stopped at these checkpoints will be briefly examined for signs of intoxication and compliance with state laws. This will include safety belts and child safety seats. In cases where the trooper or officer detects signs of intoxication or violations, the motorist will be directed to a location out of the flow of traffic where additional investigation will be conducted. All other drivers will be permitted to resume their journey immediately. The average delay will be approximately twenty (20) seconds for the non-violator, operator.

This is also a reminder that drinking and driving WILL NOT be tolerated. Let's keep all of us safe; drive within the posted speed limits, buckle up and have your children in correctly installed safety seats, so that we can have a safe and happy holiday weekend!

The following is a list of scheduled State Police checkpoints in Connecticut:

Thursday, 05/26	Prospect, Rt. 68	8 & 69,	, beginning at approximately 4:00 p.m.
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